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## INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM KY-FD-S-IM-06-07

TO:

All School Systems Participating in the DOD Program

FROM:

Teresa Ulery, Director  $\mathcal{T}\mathcal{U}$ 

Division of Food Distribution

DATE:

May 1, 2006

SUBJECT:

**Unspent DOD Entitlement** 

As the 2006 school year comes to a close, we have a major concern about the number of schools who still have entitlement set aside to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables through the Department of Defense (DOD). As of today there is a remaining balance of \$350,000 which is already assigned to school systems. We do not want to turn entitlement dollars back and take a chance of losing funds in the upcoming year.

Each year we have contacted school systems with remaining DOD entitlement to verify they will be able to spend their entitlement and receive the produce prior to June 30<sup>th</sup>, and each year we get calls from school systems that were not able to complete this task. Luckily, Nashville has been able to help you each year to spend the funds at the last minute and have it delivered before the deadline.

This year on June 1<sup>st</sup> any DOD entitlement not spent will be moved to a DOD pool for everyone to use. The money will be available on a first come, first serve basis and when the money runs out. You may only order as much as you can use without waste, as long as the produce is ordered and received before June 30<sup>th</sup>. So if you plan to use your DOD entitlement, please place the orders before June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Because of the changes being made by the Department of Defense, no shipments of produce will be made during the months of July and August. So, remember that you will not be able to receive any DOD produce shipments before September 1, 2006 for the upcoming year.

Should you have any questions, please contact this office at 502-573-0298 and speak with Dan Flaherty ext. 278 or myself ext 261.

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